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CAPACITY AUDIENCE ACCLAIMS ARTISTIC PERFORMANCE OF BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA IN FIRST CONCERT

The Berkshire Community Orchestra in its debut at Chapin Hall, Williamstown, December 2, thrilled a capacity audience with a highly artistic performance of its Schubert, Beethoven, Rimsky-Korsakow program.

Spontaneous Ovation for Sprague - Sponsored Group Of 75 Musicians

The performance of the Berkshire Community Orchestra in its first concert last Monday evening in Chapin Hall in Williamstown exceeded even the fondest hopes of its friends and members last September at the beginning of the season.

With masterful assurance and artistic understanding the talented conductor, Joaquin Nin-Culmell, Assistant Professor of Music at Williams College, led his 75 fellow musicians from the opening notes of Schubert's Overture to Rosamunde,—through the four difficult movements of the Beethoven First Symphony,—and up to the tremendous and exciting crescendos of the finale of the Fandango Asturiano, the last movement of Rimsky-Korsakow's Spanish Capriccio, Opus 34.

A capacity audience sat spellbound as the last majestic chords of the concert died away,—and then the wave of instantaneous applause grew into a spontaneous ovation. The conductor returned four times to the front of the stage and asked the orchestra to rise and share with him the tribute of an amazed and delighted audience.

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Clothing Drive

Benefit for "Save The Children Federation"

In response to an appeal from the victims of World War II in devastated Allied countries, and the "Save the Children Federation", the *Log* Social Committee is sponsoring a Clothing Drive. Arrangements have been made to have a carton placed in each department to receive *your* donations. *Any piece of clothing is acceptable.* Nothing is too worn, frayed or faded. These war victims will gladly receive and make use of every piece of clothing sent.....Remember, co-workers, your discarded clothing means warmth and protection for some unfortunate child! Promise yourself that this appeal will not go unheeded!

Remember the Dates

December 11 - Beaver Street Plant

December 12 - Marshall and Brown St. Plants

Northampton Hospital Veterans Thank Sprague Employees

Dear friends:

On behalf of the patients at this hospital I wish to sincerely thank you for your generous donation of furniture for our music room. The room was officially opened November 18, 1946 and has proven one of the most popular leisure time activities on the station.

Patients enjoy daily the homelike comfort of the room and are most appreciative of the furnishings and the fine radio record-player combination which is in constant use.

Your interest in making this donation to our hospitalized veterans is sincerely appreciated.

Sincerely yours,
S. W. Kauffman
Chief, Special Services.

$35 Production Bonus to be Paid All Eligible Sprague Employees December 12

In recognition of their greatly improved production effort during the past year all eligible employees of the Sprague Electric Company will receive a $35.00 production bonus which will be distributed on December 12th. Eligible employees are those who were actively in the employ of the company during 1946, who received a minimum of 25 pay checks during the eleven month period preceeding December 1, 1946 and who are still in the employ of the company on the day of distribution.

Veterans of the U. S. Forces not eligible for the lump sum payment on December 12, 1946, who were in the employ of the company at the time they were inducted into the armed forces, and who returned to the company's employment during 1946, and within the prescribed time after their discharge, will be paid the $35.00 production bonus as soon as it is practical for records and checks to be completed.

Checks to employees eligible on December 1st, but who are sick or on leave of absence at the time of distribution will have their checks mailed about December 12th.

Pack Christmas Box For Rhenen Holland School

The *Log* Social Committee has been busy packing a box for children of the Rhenen, Holland school which is being sponsored by the employees of Sprague Electric Company.

While the collection taken up earlier in the year in the Plants went to give these children the bare necessities of food and clothing, so that they could attend school, many of us felt that some little extra remembrance for the Holiday season was in keeping. We are anxious to extend a helping hand across the sea — and to show through example, our friendliness for those less fortunate than ourselves.....So, through the help of our employees and Social Committee a fund was collected for the gift box, that will include school supplies which Holland finds so difficult to obtain; candy to step up their energy; balls to help them have a little fun and sport, and other items which our American children take for granted, but which means so much to kids the world over.

What - Can These Be Electrical Components!

(*Conversation overheard in the Industrial Oil Department.*)

"Say, Dan, has the life test on the 'R.E.A.' job been completed? I'd like to make a shipment this week end."

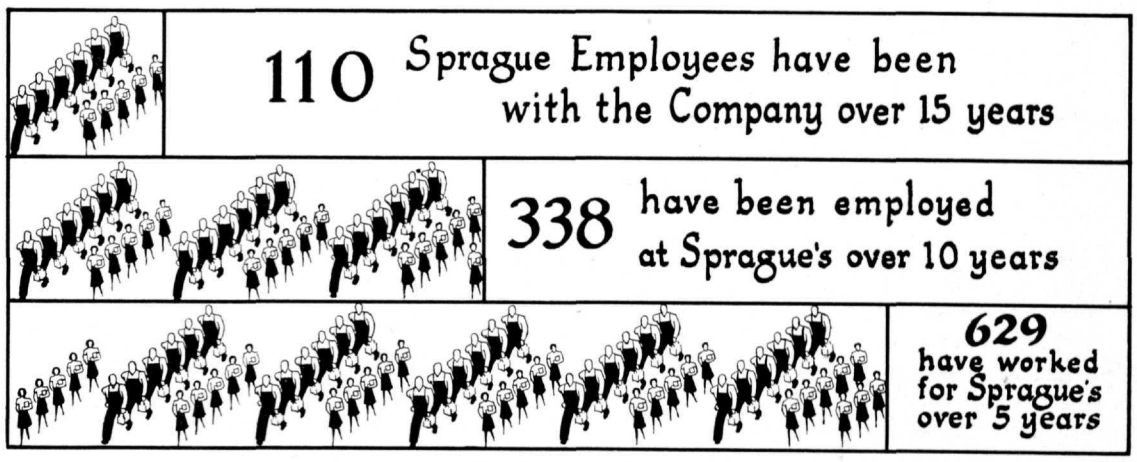
"No, I haven't put them on test yet — I've been waiting for that sample of *Screwnecks* which is supposedly a hot job. The *Sardines* are due out of the oven early tomorrow morning, and I have only room for the *Birthday cakes.*"

"Did you put the *Photoflash* and *Torpedoes* on my table — suppose they also are *rushed.*"

"You know that. I am holding up the *Lipsticks* and *Compacts,* due to *Castor Oil* and *Vitamin Q.*".....'And speaking of rush jobs, here comes Kenny with the *Portholes!*

—*Pete Mancuso*

OVER THE YEARS AT SPRAGUE ELECTRIC



Each man and woman in this pictogram represents 10 Sprague Employees.

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"Every Sprague Worker an Assistant Reporter."

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Capacity Audience Acclaims Berkshire Community Orchestra

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As a most unusual reward for its unbounded praise the 1200 music lovers in attendance were then given the privilege of hearing the entire Schubert Overture to Rosamunde as an encore; and it seemed as though, inspired by its already established success and by the appreciative audience, the orchestra in this encore gave some of its best sustained and perfect passages of the evening.

In a word, the Berkshire Community Orchestra is a success. It is an established cultural community project; and the LOG knows that it can speak for all the employees of the Sprague Electric Company in extending the sincerest thanks to each and every member of the orchestra for the long, hard hours of rehearsals, the difficult transportation problems overcome, and the grand esprit de corps evident at all times.

The future of the Berkshire Community Orchestra should be a bright one,—for its members, for the many committees it represents,—and for the cause of good music.

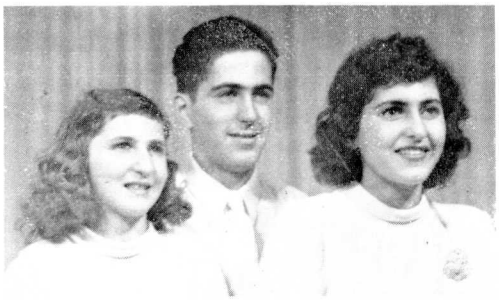
What We Do After 5 O'Clock

Beatrice Boucher of PAA. Department, feeds her feathered friends.

Beatrice Boucher does not indulge her hobby after five o'clock, but during her morning rest period at the Brown Street Plant. At that time, she takes her lunch out on the porch located at the main gate directly back of the Payroll building. Here, she attracts numbers of birds by whistling to them and scattering crumbs. We have seen as many as fifty birds near the porch rail, flying about and chattering. (When your photographer appeared, most of them disappeared). Mrs. Boucher feeds them daily and it is a wonderful sight to see.....Just how many of us would take time to bother with anything like this? Our hats are off to Beatrice Boucher for her thoughtfulness, for her love of beauty and of wild-life. This act of sharing symbolizes a true spirit of America — and one we are proud of!

—Kenny Russell

ATTRACTIVE TRIO



Introducing Barbara, Louis, and Sidney May Morin, whose mother "Virgie", is employed in the P.A.A. Department.

Beaver News

Tubular Assembly

By Gertrude Hall

Wedding Anniversaries

Clara Marceau—celebrates her first
Maud Waska—her thirtieth
Nellie Jepson—her thirty-fifth

Welcome back, Frances Gayda—we missed you.

Clara Marceau bade farewell to her sister Linda at New York, when Linda flew to Trinidad to join her husband, Capt. Wally Brown.

Lately, our supervisor, Cassy, has been very happy. Reason — a strawberry blond. (If she keeps you happy, Cassy, we wouldn't mind if she even had red hair!)

Allen McKinney would like George Parker and Buddy Roy to know that he misses them very much.

Sorry about your accident, George Parker. (George fell on a stick, believe it or not).

Hank LaBonte has been up to visit a couple of times, and we're glad to see you looking so good, Hank.

Ovens

By "Dukie" and Clovis

Rumored — That at Charlie Pedrin's wedding, Larry Bishop was to be the best man, Charlie Sutliff — the flower boy, Joe Spagnolo was nominated to drive the lucky couple to and from the church, Joe Murach was to be the ring bearer.....of course it didn't happen!

Welcome to our Department, Fred Ciepiela and William Kiel — hope you enjoy working with us.

Notes: There's two beauticians in our Department — Nina Gerry and "Ginger" Thompson.....Our new dancing instructor, Betty Roy charges $1.00 per lesson.....Dorothy Beer was observed coming to work early, one morning.....Blanche Chavarry remarks that a certain Jimmy's got everything! .....And My, My! Where did Clovis Lambert get those flashy suspenders!

F. P. Assembly

By Emma Massaconi

Roll out the presses and get on the beam, for I'm back again to let off steam — about the F. P. team.

First, I want to pay tribute to two of our co-workers who leave to work elsewhere — Dick Durkee, we miss your wit and gaiety and your artistic drawings. Good luck! Bill Davis, we miss your laughter and pleasant ways—*and those doughnuts you had each morning*— Good luck!

It's "Anchors Aweigh" for Bobby Mineau — our loss is the Navy's gain. Loads of luck.

Welcome to Mary Roberts, Edwin Sprague, Jimmy Millis, George Donovan, and of course, our new boss, Fielding Simmons.

Margaret LaBonte became Mrs. Blay on November 30th. Here's wishing you lots of luck and happiness.

Ruth Peterhansel, when are you going to break away from Florence and come back with us? You can bring Florence along, too!

From Esquire

What the well dressed bridegroom will wear this season, as posed by Donat Remillard of the Machine Shop. "Red" walked down the aisle on November 30th.

Dry Test

By Rita Johnson

Deep sympathy to Ray Racette whose stepbrother was recently killed in an automobile accident.

Sincere sympathy to Dominic Perrone, whose father passed away recently.

Isabel Hyndman, Joe Davis and Robert Reardon of this Department, and Ann Kearns of the office, recently enjoyed the Boston-Tennessee football game in Boston, Mass.

Sorry to contradict the fellows in Industrial Oils, in regard to the hunting cartoon shown in the *Log* — we have voted one hundred per cent that the men shown are Robert Rivard and Julius Lincoln of our own Department.

Mary Boschetti was pleasantly surprised at a birthday party. She was presented a beautifully decorated cake and a pair of kid gloves by her co-workers.

Francis Guzzi spent the week end with a former shipmate in Freeport, L. I.

Why does Marjorie Hauptfleisch and Isabel Hyndman go about mournfully humming: "No Letter Today?"

Helen Lesage and family spent Thanksgiving week end with her mother in Greenfield, Mass.

Leonore Tarnuzzer, who recently underwent an operation, has been discharged from the North Adams hospital and is visiting her brother in Rhode Island.

We were glad to be represented in the Berkshire Community Orchestra, when our co-worker, Mary Fiore took part in the recent concert. Continued success to you and to the Orchestra.

Card of Thanks

The family of Joseph Roberts, Jr. wish to take this means of thanking all the friends and employees of the Sprague Electric Company who so generously contributed to the fund for Joseph formerly employed at the Marshall Street Plant. "Joe" was seriously injured in an automobile accident some time ago, and is making a gradual though slow recovery.

Machine Shop

By Trombley, Walsh and Remillard

About a dozen of the boys journeyed to Bennington to see Bill Barber at the Putnam Memorial Hospital. Bill underwent an operation on November 18th. All the fellows in the Shop add their good wishes for his speedy recovery. *It's reported some of the fellows never arrived at the hospital, but got lost and circled completely around it.* Oh yes, Russell Lanoue was the guide.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to "Bud" Bartlett on the recent loss of his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Morocco observed their sixth wedding anniversary on October 19.

Observances:

Honors for soap box oratory go to Bert Peters, our "Torch Bearer".....That pass combination, Daldoss to Brown with a beet for a football was intercepted by Schyler Dean's head.....Winter is just around the corner, since some of the tool and die makers have gone back to those long dusters.....Something must be done to lessen the strain on our Knobby Walsh — he is too tired to read a print.....Not much spring in those clamps you made, was there, Charbonneau?.....There should be some recompense for George Scarbo who went in training to be in a minstrel show — *and then there was no show!*

One of our former co-workers, Bob Cutler visited us on November 19th.

Linda Ann Landry, 33 months-old niece of Julie Pedrin of Block Annex, and Rita Pedrin of Check Inspection.

Boxing

Night Shift -- By Gladys Kirpatrick

We extend deep sympathy to Emilio Perrone in the loss of his father who died recently.

What did we ever do before Ted Marszalek (also known as Theo or Treddy) came to work for us.

We take this opportunity to welcome all the newcomers to our Department.

Whenever we need a helping hand, we call on Clara Cardinal, Florence Hyndman and Theresa Radaelli. Nice to have girls like these around.

One never knows what will come out of the wax pots. Recently, Ted Marszalek pulled out a pair of gloves — but from the screams of the girls, you'd think it might have been a mouse!

Mary Bernard, our supervisor, is having quite a time training her new permanent into a page boy bob — Patience, Mary!

Sample Lab Gab

By the Shadow

"Rumors are Flying"

Don "lover" Fortini plans to join the tourist trade in Florida. (They tell us oranges are pretty big down there) .....Who recently had his stripes taken away and demoted to Buck Private on O'Bie's old job? ? ?.....Congratulations to "O'Bie" O'Brien on being promoted from Stock chaser to working on the table.

When did it happen? Why didn't you tell us!.....It seems we have a young married couple in this Department — and even they, didn't know it!! The couple went out to buy a gift for another young couple and the accompanying card read "From Mr. and Mrs. Don Fortini."..... The girl involved is Nini Sacco.....Is it true, Nini?

The Department extends deep sympathy to Larry Burt on the recent loss of his mother.

Formation and Centrifuge

By Betty Bogus

Question of the Hour: How did that eye of J. F. X. Shea's acquire a purple hue?.....Seeing double — or did you decide to close one eye, huh? Jim?

Considerable excitement was caused in the Formation Department last week when our boss came to work sporting a brand new soup strainer..... If you want to compete with Clark Gable, it's O.K. with us, George, but why not be honest about it?

Everyone wonders why Louis Haley goes to Rowe every week end. Let us in on it, Haley!

Our deep sympathy is extended to Harry Embry on the loss of his son.

The Department wishes Ruth Embry, daughter of Harry, a speedy recovery.

F. P. Drys

By L. Boyer and R. Moresi

Mystery of the Week: How does "Chena" Bushika manage to lose at least one condenser from every tray? *Does she eat them?*

Our two newlyweds Terry Richards Worthington and Margaret LaBonte Blay were guests of honor at a party at Florini's recently, and were each presented with a beautiful negligee from their co-workers.

Congratulations, June Bunting. Everyone seems so relieved — you haven't dropped a tray of work now in two days!

Happy birthday to Ann Blasi from her friend of the F. P. line.

We welcome Mary Provost, and also welcome back, Lillian Boschetti, Anne Loomis and Ann Davine.

We've heard more than one brunette inquire about the process of bleaching hair ...Can it be true that blondes *are preferred in this neck of the woods?*

Dry Rolling

By Shorty and Ruth

Welcome to our newcomers, Theresa and Cecil Marcoux and Helen Noetzel. We hope you enjoy your new work and friends. Also, welcome back to Carmel Lanoue who has had an extended vacation.

Congratulations to Flo Danforth, who celebrated her 17th wedding anniversary on November 21st.

Will Cecile Marcoux tell us why she went back home to change her dress at the dance at the State Armory?..... (Don't take it so hard, Cecile, *she* didn't know you intended to wear the same kind!)

We like to see Martha Todd's pleasant glances, hear Claire Denno's laugh and Ruth Kelly's jokes.

Chatter: How popular our Eva Daignault is — you hear her name being called all over the Department..... if Art Molleur continues eating candy, he'll get sweeter every day.....Every Monday, we hear about the nice week ends that Ruth Martin has.....Glamour Boy of Dry Rolling — Angelo Corbosiero.

Congratulations to Bill Collette on his recent engagement.

Nothing like keeping the stockroom in the family — especially when one's bowling technique needs to be brought up — ask the DeLisle brothers.

Best wishes to our Mary Banis Leja, married October 12th and to Stephanie Prejsnar, who has announced her engagement to Anthony Zerneri.

Ovens -- Night Shift

By Bessie Brown

We're glad to welcome back Louise Bass after her illness, and to extend a welcome to our newcomers: Ivonnette Pinsonneault (Toots) and Elouise Lewis to our Department.

Looking for an easy way to wash springs — consult Russell Worthy.

Alyce Crockwell and Gladys Rohane had quite a time — first, they visited the dentist then they ended up with a big spaghetti dinner at Florini's.

Loretta Tatro has us green with envy — she has her dinner of spaghetti and meat balls brought in to her, while the rest of us are munching on a dry lunch!

Block Test

By Mickey Koczela

Congratulations:—

Mary Sorel, whose birthday was December 2nd.

Nellie Jepson for her 35th wedding anniversary which was observed November 15th.

Grace Wyman, who celebrated her birthday November 23rd.

To "grandmother" Bailey for her baby grandson, born to Mrs. Barbara King, our former *Log* reporter.

Best of luck to our new landlords, Mr. and Mrs. Armand Solari, who recently purchased a house on West Main. Now, Frances, you can have all the hot water you want.

Where are you going with that grass skirt, Paula Jean Raedel? Niece of Helen Scarfone.

The Hula dancer is Sandra Lee Raedel, niece of Helen Scarfone of P.A.A. Rolling Department.

Boxing Dept.

By S. Wilk and C. Urbano

A recent visitor was our former co-worker, Irene Charron — we were all glad to see her.

Observances: Bet "Reggie" Zabek attends all the games now that her husband Chet has signed up with the Saints.....No, Henry Neidzwiecki wasn't wearing that shop apron to keep his clothes from getting soiled — he tore his pants!.....The night that Leo Robinson ran out of gas on the back road, he was all alone—that's what he says..... There's some attraction up at Doris Vallieres'—for Helen Harrington has been late at noon time.....“Lucky” Connie Urbano won three pools and a turkey within four weeks—a compensation for that unlucky time when she kept pouring condensers backwards.

Welcome to our new girls, Dorothy Tower and Alice Hathaway.

Many of the girls on the line attended the Richards-Worthington wedding, and a lovely time was had by all.

A certain someone has been bringing gifts to Sally Rollman from Canada. This week it was sausages — last week, she said it was tenderized ham!

Happy birthday to Mrs. Pauline Dean.....She has been out ill, and we hope she'll be back with us soon.

Trips: Connie Urbano and "Terry" Giroux to St. Albans, Vt.....Maud Gebauer to Springfield to see an ice show.

Happy birthday to William Bushnell who celebrated his birthday, November 22nd.

Since the sugar shortage, Colleen Barbeau hasn't made many cakes — the last one, she made without shortening, but we helped her eat it and thought it was good. Colleen insists she is still helping her country — because shortening is so scarce.

Rose Marie Cote with her pet. She is the daughter of Shirley, of Dry Rolling Department.

Block Annex

By Esther Perrault

Showers

A greenback shower was held recently for Eunice Timothy, now Mrs. Jarvis at the home of Marion Scott. A delicious lunch was served and everyone had a wonderful time.

A miscellaneous shower was held in honor of Dolores Bailey who was married Thanksgiving Day to Clifford Domenichini of the Can Shop. Dolores received many beautiful gifts. Games were played and lunch served. Also, there was a farewell supper for Dolores at Florini's — and bowling was the form of exercise to aid digestion afterwards. You can imagine that there was loads of fun.

We wish Roma Perrault a speedy recovery from her recent operation — the old line doesn't seem the same without you.

We hope our newcomers, Carlton Roy, May Belanger, Frances Chilson and Bessie Nutting enjoy working with us.

Paper Rolling

By Hubba Hubba

Welcome to Phyllis Scarbo, Anita Scaia — we're glad to have you with us, and a hearty welcome back to "Tina" Vareschi.

Roma Sacco attended the Army-Notre Dame game — she told me all about it — *wonderful* game, two *wonderful* teams — it was just plain *wonderful*!

A leave of absence for Theresa Norcross — come back soon, "Tess."

House Warming

Roma Sacco held a house warming party — the girls enjoyed her good spaghetti supper, her nice home and had a grand time. Those attending were Kathleen Morrissey, Enis Montagna, "Flo" Kondej, Claire Anderson, Lena Solomon, Rose Neveu and son, and Rose Ann Vigna.

Doris Merlini attended a formal dance at Amherst College over the week end.

If you need lessons in dancing — the rhumba or congo — ask Martha Ouellette to teach you. It will be interesting — *I know, I was one of her pupils.* However, if it's knitting or crocheting you wish to learn, consult "Vi" Scott.....and if you want to know the wolf call, consult Enis Montagna.

On a Sunny Day

"Sunny" Stackpole, daughter of William, of Wire Coating Department.

B. T. A.

By Ruth Haskins

Congratulations to our foreman, Earl Scarbo and to Mrs. Scarbo on the birth of their daughter, born November 25th.

Glad to see Ann Palmer back after her illness.

Deep sympathy is extended to Millie Embry on the loss of her brother.

Congratulations, "Sis" Chaperon Vadnais, on the birth of your baby daughter.

Christmas Suggestions: A strong box with lock, in which Helen Abbott could protect her lunch from being pilfered by Stacia Wisniowski A good-sized book for Jane Ciepiela, in which she can weigh down and keep straight, all those week end dates of hers !

Lucy Libardi was quite excited recently when some one said: "Kilroy was here" ...A friend of yours, Lucy?

Hearty congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gelineau who celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary on November 23rd. Mrs. Gelineau is better known to us as Minnie. The couple have seven children and 13 grand-children and 4 great-grand-children.

OUR SAFETY CORNER

Engineering Specs

By Hazel Goodale

Congratulations from Engineering Specifications to Ray Lamoureaux of Engineering Drafting .....Seven pounds of baby boy is a lot to be happy about!

Our successful hunter this year is Howard Sherman who bagged a 125 lb. spikehorn in Dover. Deer, Deer!

We are glad to see you are mending fast, Rita Slade. Welcome back!

Marshall News

Shipping and Carton Stockroom

By Gold-Dust Twins

This past week we have lost three of our co-workers: Bob Lowe, who drove one of our Sprague Electric trucks, will return to his old line of business — selling, was presented a beautiful Ronson combination cigarette lighter and case. Mario Trozzi did the honors and Bob responded gratefully.

Jerry O'Neil, who seeks his fortune elsewhere, was very pleasantly surprised Friday afternoon when Pat Sanecki on behalf of the Department, presented him with a Ronson Lighter, and a box of his favorite cigars. After much handshaking, the men know from our sincerity and good wishes, that they will be missed.

Richard Briggs was transferred to the Sprague Electric pick-up truck. Best of luck, Dick.

Viola Spagnolo returned from a week end in Springfield very elated over the fact that at last she had found a pair of men's pajamas. Sam, you lucky guy! ! !

Through the office windows comes the strains of "The Prisoners' Song" — Oh, no, "Give me 5 Minutes More." If Walt Barnes' whistling doesn't get in tune soon, he'll need 5 minutes more! !

Miles Heath is the one and only lamplighter. Who's taking over the job now, Miles?

It seems that Al Benoni will have to learn the difference between Feen-A-Mint and Beechies.

Somewhere we read that someone's loss is another's gain — so the new men in our Department include Don Viens, Dick Durkee, Delbert Jette, James Valotta, Rocco Vigna, and Sam Jammallo.

May we take this opportunity to extend our heartfelt and sincere sympathy to Attilio Perrone on the recent loss of his father.

Our new bride, Fay Bellows Russell, is still up in the clouds. Oh me, the life of a new bride!

Who can eat the most grapes in the Shipping Room? That's easy — ask Jim Knox.

Al Hamer of the Model Room, returned to work after spending a ten-day vacation at his lodge in Heartwellville. He had as his guests, Dr. Brooks of Norwalk, Conn., and Victor Obenhaus. Dr. Brooks formerly worked at the Marshall St. Lab. and V. Obenhaus also works at the Lab. They all went deer hunting, but none was fortunate enough to get a deer. Better luck next year! !

Miscellaneous Drys

By Eddie O'Neil

We miss our co-worker, Chuck Felix who took that fatal step to the altar on Thanksgiving Day. Come back soon!

Glad there was a reconciliation for you, "Rolo" Roberts...*Has she named the day*, Rowland?

Ralph Paddock has been bringing chocolates to work quite frequently.....*Who gets them, Ralph*?

George Trombley deserves a medal .....In the estimation of his co-workers he's the *first man to persuade Tom Perras that work is worth doing*.....Tom is still in a daze as to how it all happened.

Thelma LaRocca has been losing weight lately, juggling those trays for her girls. She claims it brings results —*it beats dieting all to pieces.*

Maintenance

By Umbriago

We welcome back to work, Wally Lapine, Art Giroux and Howard Wetmore.

We now have a sink in the Electric Department down here, also towels and a soap holder.....seen any soap, boys?

"Wash" Santelli, our welder, is expected to try out for a Boiler Fireman's license — he'll need it in order to run, and smoke that big pipe he has acquired.

Maintenance Gang Growing

Our Gang is getting larger and larger at the Marshall Street Plant, as the days go by. We welcome to the group: Mrs. Doris Benedetti, Mials Robson and George Forgea from the Beaver Plant, and Harold Bohl, George Coody (the walking arsenal of tools) and Art Caron, from our Brown Street Plant.

Art Caron, our plumber, was the only man lucky from Maintenance to bag a deer, an eight-point buck at Somerset, Vt.....Sorry fellows, no deer meat, the gang is too large.

We have had loud speakers installed in the Carpenter and Electrical Shops, and now are in the hopes of hearing them — and *not* the "Sinatra of the Carpenter Shop", better known to all as Roy (Stubby) Caron.

A new member has been added to our office staff: Miss Shirley King. Recently discharged from the WAVES, we hope she will enjoy working with us.

"*Who put who on the floor?*" was quoted by Buster Sherman as he picked himself up from the floor.

Anyone wishing to know the price of a new car battery, just ask James Macksey of the Carpenter Gang.

MYSTERY SOLVED

Mysterious Trips of Maintenance Man to Athol Explained

Many people have wondered why Billy (the Stitcher) Collette has been making those frequent trips to Athol. He has been accused of many things, but just look at the above picture and you will see the real reason, and a very charming one. He is fast becoming a good listener and soon should learn the art of taking orders. Now, we have the honor of announcing Billy's engagement to Miss Shirley Mae Young shown above. Best wishes Bill and Shirley, for a happy future.

BROWN STREET "BRIEFS"

Maintenance

By Little Lulu

Tony Woloski is in the dog house — all because of Dodd's Tavern — and incidentally, all the boys cash their checks there every week.

Since Harold Bohl has been transferred to Marshall Street, he smokes cigars instead of cigarettes.....*Puttin' on the dog, eh, Harold*?

Now that John Rosse has sold his car (for the 15th time) how will Charlie Dean and "Clayt" Hynes get to the Mohawk Cafe?

Harry Estes asked for Armistice Day off so he could march in the parade — and he hasn't shown up for work since.....guess he's still marching. When last seen, he was on Route 66.

"Clayt" Hynes spent a week end in Boston.....Incidentally, "Clayt" makes a special trip to Marshall Street every day.

We're glad Jimmy Valotta likes his new job so well.....Hm-m.

Art Caron, Bill Rivers, "Live-wire" Bohl and "High Voltage" Coody have been transferred to Marshall Street, which makes things pretty quiet around here — and just when George was promoted to linesman! By the way, George received a lovely tool belt to match the one on his right hip, made and sent, from his former co-workers here at Brown Street.

They tell me that John Rosse has taken on a night job for a construction company, laying pipe. When coming out of the Mohawk Cafe the other P.M., he fell in the ditch and had to work his way out.

Now we've heard everything! Vic Lampiasi claims one can get a black eye from blowing one's nose!

Sympathy is extended to Frank Cumberland on the death of his father.

Casey has a new job working nights – as a "baby sitter." Now, if any of you gals or guys wish to take your respective spouse out some evening, get in touch with Mathew (Casey) Brady and you can rest assured that your problem for watching the baby is solved.

Sample Lab

By the "Eyes and Ears"

Gee whiz! It's only a few weeks more until Christmas. Time again to make out our list for Santa. Now, let's see, it's going to be a little harder this year, but here goes: For *Frank Gregalis*, a gun to shoot all the people who borrow things.....*Johnny Soderstrom*, a book entitled, "How to Answer Questions and the Telephone at the Same Time".....*Eddy Macksey*, a brand new automatic broom that will sweep the floor.....*Jimmy Malloy*, a years subscription of the Daily Record.....*George Mulcahy*, an album of rumbas and sombas.....*Blanche Bourdon*, a jar of hand cream to replace the one we all used.....*Alma Finardi*, a scale that will really weigh correctly, even with the wind blowing.....*Loretta Bezzie*, another belt in case the one she has wears out .....*Ellen Perras*, a beautiful new comb —(Just for her own use).....*Dora Grant*, a black-jack to help keep us from stealing her tools.....*Rita Abuisi*, a pair of roller skates to get her from place to place.....*Sally Bregman*, some pretty barretts to hold up her new hair-do..... *Rita Mulqueen*, a few voice lessons so we won't have to suffer quite so much .....*Mary Markland*, a special detective to help her find all the things she loses .....Your reporters hope they have not overlooked anyone and sign off with this bit of advice, "Do Your Christmas Shopping Now."

Wedding Bells . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dempsey with their attendants, Mr. Russell Lanoue, and Jane Douglas of the Application Engineering Office. Mrs. Dempsey, before her marriage on October 26, was "Cherry" Trabold of the Payroll Office.

Industrial Oils

By L. White and L. Vincelette

Chivalry isn't dead yet! When Nellie Hall had difficulties on the way to the Lunch Room, Romeo of the K.V.A. came gallantly to the rescue.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Conroy (Millie) and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Emery (Winnie) who celebrated wedding anniversaries last week.

Ann Heath's eyes look pretty sleepy since Myles has been working nights.

Barbers Pond is no more for this season — perhaps next year, Charlie and Lyda can go on from there.

Eleanor DiSanty and Norman Bourdon find lots to talk about in the course of a day.

Billy Kaczowski of the Check Inspectors Sings "Someday" all the time .....What's going to happen "someday", Billy?

Frank Santelli brought a 30 lb. live turkey in here — and no one had the heart to kill it. What to do! What to do!

Eddie Bury has been transferred from Final Assembly to Ind. Oil Stacking. Glad you're with us Eddie.

Wire Coating

By Betty Jangrow

Four girls of this Department, Lucille Miller, Peg Durnin, Corinna Tatro and Helen Burdick, had a very enjoyable day recently in Albany. The trip was made by bus and though it was a rather broken down one it afforded them many laughs. The day was spent shopping and eating. Imagine *eating five times in eight hours.* Was this a shopping trip, girls?

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sanford, who observed their 19th wedding anniversary on November 26th, and also celebrated the first birthday of their daughter, Carolyn Joan, on that day.

Congratulations are also extended to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Tatro, who celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on November 21st. Hope that we'll be around to help you celebrate your 50th anniversary, Corinna.

That was a tough break you had enroute from Canada, Al Peck. But then it's an ill wind that doesn't blow someone some good. Maybe your car did break down, but you had an *extra day* in Canada, right?

We are all happy to have Henry Puppolo back in the Lab, seems like old times, Henry.

Resistors

By Lucy Abuisi

There are laughs galore when "Chick" Currant and Art VanSteemburg tell about the days when they wore knickers.

We understand "Ceil" Duda scored quite a hit at the ball she attended in Adams not too long ago.

That sure is a sporty storm-buster "Chick" Currant is wearing these days. He sure looks swell.

Well, Tommy DeMarco, hunting season is over and all I can say is *too bad*.

Two of our charming co-workers have received lovely diamonds, namely Gloria Decoteau and "Steffie" Novak.

Harry Haddad spent a week end in New York City recently and it is rumored he caused quite a stir when he arrived.

Glad to see Emily Wlodyka back to work after her recent illness.

What a harmonious department this would be if everyone got along as well as Francis Mancuso and "Red" Czerwinski.

P.A.A. Rolling (Night Shift)

By Connie

Girls, did you notice in the November 9th issue of the *Log* how Al Bergeron stood out in the group picture on the Sports Page. Must be his wavy hair. Never mind the pun, Al, perhaps we are jealous of your hair.

How about bringing in some roller skates for Bernice Duperault and Connie Davis? Oh yes, and an apple pie for Ralph Kleiner.

We welcome our high school girls and boys and hope they will enjoy working with us. It does us old folks good to have you around.

"Franny" Scott can get her new car any day now. The passengers promise to help with the down payment and the installments.

Our Sally Harrington is going up in the world. Could it be by machine?

How about wearing cotton stockings girls? Remember, Phil Lanoue has a bad heart.

Less talk and more work, Connie Vecellio, or we'll get you a ball and chain.

How about letting us all in on those jokes, Nancy Lebeau?

Did you have fun with the reindeer at the party, Laura Roy?

Attention, Art Lussier: When you leave us a lunch why not leave the coffee too?

Crawford - Magnifico — Miss Josephine Mary Magnifico and Mr. Raymond Anthony Crawford were married November 25, 1946 at St. Anthony's church. The bride is employed in the P.A.A. Department.

Worthington - Richard — Miss Theresa Rose Richard became the bride of Mr. Aaron John Worthington, November 23. The double ring ceremony was performed at the Notre Dame church.

Felix - Rhodes — Miss Eleanor Mary Rhodes became the bride of Mr. Charles G. Felix, November 28, 1946 at St. Francis Church. Mr. Felix is employed in the D.T.Q. Department, Marshall St. Plant, and Mrs. Felix is employed in the Mica Department.

Domenichini - Bailey — Miss Dolores Elizabeth Bailey and Mr. Clifford C. Domenichini were united in marriage November 28, 1946 at St. Francis Church. Clifford is employed in the Can Shop, and Dolores is employed in Block Annex.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Leja, married October 12th. Mrs. Leja is the former Mary Banis of Dry Rolling Department.

Remillard - Degere — Miss Shirley Alice Degere became Mrs. Donat Remillard on November 30th at Notre Dame church. Shirley is employed in the Can Shop; Donat, in the Machine Shop.

Pedrin - Modena — Gloria Ann Modena became the bride of Charles A. Pedrin at St. Anthony's church, November 30th. Gloria was formerly employed in the PAA's, and Charles is employed in the Foil and Gauze Department.

Blay - LaBonte — Miss Margaret Rose LaBonte was married to Mr. William Joseph Blay, November 30th at St. Francis' church. Margaret is employed in the F. P. Drys and "Bill" in the Sample Laboratory.

Jarvis - Timothy — Miss Eunice Veronica Timothy and Mr. Leonard Richard Jarvis were married November 30th at St. Francis' church. Eunice is employed in the Block Annex Dept.

Smiling Mary Rogge has been with Sprague Electric Company since 1936, working first in the Paper Rolling Department, and later transferred to Brown Street. She is now with the P.A.A.'s.